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Docket No. 826.1697

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: )  
Makoto MURAISHI, et al. )  
Serial No.: To be assigned ) Group Art Unit: Unassigned  
Filed: March 12, 2001 ) Examiner: Unassigned  
For: TEST SUPPORT APPARATUS )  
AND TEST SUPPORT METHOD )  
FOR GUI SYSTEM PROGRAM )

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APPLICATION IN ACCORDANCE  
WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF 37 C.F.R. §1.55**

*Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231*

*Sir:*

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.55, the applicant submits herewith a certified copy of the following foreign application:

Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-109416  
Filed: April 11, 2000.

It is respectfully requested that the applicant be given the benefit of the foreign filing date as evidenced by the certified papers attached hereto, in accordance with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §119.

Respectfully submitted,

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**UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
TRANSMITTAL**

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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1. [X] Fee Transmittal Form
2. [X] Specification, Claims & Abstract ..... [ Total Pages: 56 ]
3. [X] Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) ..... [ Total Sheets: 35 ] [FIGS. 1-35]
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9. [X] Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
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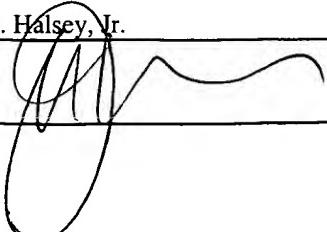
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